STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7627

Petition of Central Vermont Public Service Corporation)
("CVPS") for approval of certain amendments to its)
Alternative Regulation Plan,)
pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 218d)

Order entered: 8/5/2010

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM

On July 6, 2010, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation ("CVPS" or the "Company") filed a Petition to Modify and Extend the CVPS Alternative Regulation Plan (the "Petition") that was approved by the Vermont Public Service Board (the "Board") in September of 2008.¹

On July 28, 2010, a prehearing conference was convened in this matter. The following parties entered appearances: Geoffrey A. Commons, Esq., on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service; Dale A. Rocheleau, Esq., on behalf of CVPS. After the prehearing conference, the parties jointly submitted the following schedule, which we hereby adopt, subject to some modifications:

Discovery period	begins. ²
	Discovery period

August 11, 2010 Motions to intervene to be filed.

Week of August 16, 2010 Workshop to be convened by Board staff to

discuss the Petition.

^{1.} Docket 7336, Petition of Central Vermont Public Service Corporation for approval of an Alternative Regulation Plan pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 218d, Order of 9/30/08.

^{2.} The schedule proposed by the parties indicates that discovery may be conducted on both formal and informal terms during the discovery period.

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August 18, 2010	Replies to intervention motions to be filed.
September 2, 2010	Discovery period ends.
September 3, 2010	Parties to file either (1) a settlement and a proposal for decision; or (2) a status report.
September 10, 2010	Status conference (assuming no settlement).
September 14, 2010	Public hearing to be convened via Vermont Interactive Television network.
September 24, 2010	Technical hearing (assuming settlement).

At the prehearing conference, the parties agreed that the filing deadlines reflected in this Order would signify the due dates for electronic service of the documents to be filed, with the submission of hard copy filings to follow to the Board the next day. The parties agreed to accept electronic service of filings among themselves as well. Due to the compressed nature of the schedule in this docket, we will allow filings to be made as follows: The parties shall accept electronic filings among themselves, and the deadline for any such electronic filing shall be the date set in the procedural schedule ordered by the Board. The hard copy of any such filing shall be due at the Board by close of business on the following day. We have made this arrangement with the understanding that it is a singular accommodation and shall not set a precedent for future proceedings. The Board is pursuing the implementation of electronic filing, but at this time it does not have the means to deploy an electronic case management system.

SO ORDERED.

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Dated at Montpelier, Veri	mont, this <u>5th</u>	_day of _	August	, 2010.
	s/ James Volz)	
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	s/ David C. Coen)	Board
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	s/ John D. Burke)	
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FILED: August 5, 2010				
ATTEST: s/ Susan M. Hudson				
Clerk of the Boar	rd			

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